

STAFFING ALLOCATIONS APPROVED

Board Approves New Position Of LAN Technician

By Carolyn Walker

The school board approved the new position of computer LAN technician at Monday night's meeting. The classified position will replace the part-time technology job now held by Kent Dillingham who will retire at the end of the school year. Superintendent Charles Profit said he hopes to find a candidate certified in the local area network so that those duties do not have to be contracted out. Applications are currently being accepted.

The job description for that position combines the responsibilities of Dillingham and Karen Wallace. The work involved will be done by a two-person team.

The board also approved SBDM staffing allocations for 2013-2014. Staffing for the elementary school will include 20.9 teachers, 3.5 classified personnel and 2.5 custodians. The junior-senior high staffing will be made up of 20.3 teachers, 5.9 classified positions and 2.5 custodi-

ans. Each school has one full time principal. An assistant principal, a guidance counselor and a media specialist are shared by the two schools.

The treasurer's report showed a balance of \$1,485,043.42 at the end of February. The general fund balance of \$1,471,488.47 was \$36,549.53 less than at this time last year. According to treasurer Jenny Bruce, this is a great improvement over previous months.

Elementary principal Jennifer Ward reported that the spring testing schedule is in place. Teachers are doing formative assessments, and the last round of MAP testing will take place in April. The CSIP goals are being placed in a data base which will make tracking progress and working on future improvement plans more efficient.

Kevin Stockman, junior-senior high principal, is also working on his school's testing schedule. This includes AP and end-of-course ex-

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MARK ADAMS signs some of the items he gave students during an assembly program Tuesday, March 19, at Dawson Springs Elementary School. Watching him sign are (from left) Emily Abbott, Skyler Garrison, Chance Robinson, Ally Bean and Trinity Randolph. The program, presented by the Kentucky Association of Counties, informed students about the various jobs of county government.

DILAPIDATED HOUSING LAWSUITS WILL BE SERVED

City Takes Steps For Emergency Preparedness

By Carolyn Walker

The city of Dawson Springs has taken the first steps toward setting up an emergency preparedness plan through the Kentucky League of Cities. Council members heard a presentation Monday night from Joe Isaacs, a KLC representative who demonstrated My Agility, the computer program designed to keep cities running during an emergency situation.

City clerk Janet Dunbar met earlier with Isaacs to discuss the template which will be filled in with contact information for city officials as well as information about necessary power sources, space, technology and communications. The program, which is free through the city's property insurance, would help KLC to assist Dawson Springs if disaster strikes.

My Agility is based on what was learned at West

Liberty when that city was devastated by a tornado on March 2, 2012.

"If you talk to the folks at West Liberty, this would have been a lifesaver," Isaacs said.

"If something were to come to our door, we want to be as prepared as possible," Mayor Jenny Sewell added.

City attorney Ben Leonard updated the council on the cable franchise negotiations. Leonard said his office continues discussion with

the cable company concerning a local programming option as part of the contract negotiations. At some point a company representative will come to Dawson Springs to determine if the city has adequate means to secure the broadcast equipment.

Although the process has been delayed several times since negotiations began in November, Leonard said his contact person is optimistic that this will go through.

Leonard also gave an up-

date on the dilapidated housing issue. Four lawsuits will be served by the end of this week, he said, and changes should be seen in the next eight weeks.

The council approved a municipal order reappointing Sue Ann Beshears to the Recreational Park Board. She will serve a four-year term of office expiring March 19, 2017.

In the mayor's supplement, Sewell noted that efforts to obtain \$25,000 in

coal severance funding are moving forward. The funds will be used for an engineering study which could lead to the lowering of the flood plain in Dawson Springs.

Work involved in the redesign of police department doorways in order to meet certification requirements was scheduled to begin Tuesday. The city has received clearance to finance the project through funding

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Weatherman Predicts Late Spring Arrival

By Carla Jimenez
Kentucky New Era

Christian County Weather Coordinator Dave Powell predicts a late spring for the area, but that doesn't mean we won't have some sneak peaks like last week.

According to an e-mail from Powell, Western Kentucky received little snow this winter because of a phenomenon called the "North Atlantic Oscillation." In addition, the NAO has set up a barrier that blocks warmer air from getting in.

Today is the first official day of spring, but Powell said the area should expect more cold weather.

In fact, Powell said the weather won't start to feel like spring until April. Even then, Powell predicts the area will experience a much cooler spring than last year. While this will result in lower soil temperatures, he said, it will also help the soil retain moisture in preparation for planting season. This could also possibly result in a much cool-

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DEVRA STECKLER, Hopkins County Court Clerk, speaks with third and fourth graders from Dawson Springs and West Hopkins elementary schools Tuesday, March 19, during a program presented by the Kentucky Association of Counties at Dawson Springs school. Among the other county officials who spoke with students are (from left) Judge Executive Donnie Carroll and Jailer Joe Blue. The informational program presented by the association also featured Dawson Springs High School graduate Mark Adams who illustrated the group's booklet which was presented to the students.

MANSLAUGHTER SENTENCE

Dawson Springs Man Receives 10 Years

From Times Leader Staff Report

A Dawson Springs man received a 10-year sentence in Caldwell County Circuit Court for a manslaughter charge and other offenses in connection with a fatal 2011 crash east of Princeton. Jeffery R. Alfred, 26, was sentenced by Circuit Judge C.A. Woodall March 5.

The charges stemmed from a

Dec. 27, 2011, crash on Ky. 672 that claimed the life of 28-year-old Thomas A. Redden, also of Dawson Springs. Redden was a passenger in a pickup driven by Alfred when the crash occurred.

State police said Alfred lost control of the vehicle, ran off the roadway and struck a tree. Redden

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Elementary SBDM Council Makes Changes To Policies

By Carolyn Walker

The Dawson Springs Elementary School SBDM Council met Monday afternoon with vice chairwoman Cassie Bruch presiding in the absence of Jennifer Ward.

The budget report showed a remaining balance of \$6,041.03. As of March 6, 81.3 percent of the year's allocation had been spent or encumbered.

Two council policies were reviewed for needed changes. The School Day and Week Policy was accepted as read. However, the Retention Policy was tabled until the April meeting.

In the Good News Report, Bruch noted that Literacy Week was a great success. Also, some students have moved from Tier 2

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Obituaries

John Adcock, 77
Fred Burress, 67
James Claxton Sr., 85
Marvin Lantrip, 83
Paul McGregor, 100
Roena Moore, 80

LOCAL 5 DAY FORECAST

Wed 3/20	Thu 3/21	Fri 3/22	Sat 3/23	Sun 3/24
43/23 Partly to mostly cloudy. High 43F. Winds WNW 15-25.	41/31 Partly cloudy. Highs in the low 40s and lows in the low 30s.	47/38 Chance of showers. Highs in upper 40s, lows in upper 30s.	48/43 Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 40s and lows in the low 40s.	50/36 Showers. Highs in the low 50s and lows in the mid 30s.

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Hopkins Co. Health Dept. Issues Restaurant Report

The following restaurant inspections were conducted by the Hopkins County Health Department March 7 through March 14.

A food service establishment must earn a minimum score of 85 with no critical violations in order to pass. Follow-up inspections of restaurants which do not meet that criteria will be conducted.

Dixie Pan Restaurant — 92
Minor violations:

- Food stored on floor in walk-in cooler
- Hot water not working in women's restroom
- Warmer door gasket in poor repair.

Hanson Grade School — 100
No violations.

Taco John's — 98
Minor violation:

- Small plastic cup used for scoop in rice.

White Plains Senior Community Kitchen — 100
No violations.

Kentucky Highway Crews To Begin Weed Treatment

Kentucky Transportation Cabinet crews will begin treating for noxious and nuisance weeds throughout the state this month. The treatments aid in controlling the spread of undesirable plants along state highway rights of way.

The cabinet, in accordance with KRS 176.051, targets Johnson grass, giant foxtail, Canada thistle, nodding thistle, multiflora rose, black nightshade, wild cucumber and kudzu.

Property owners can learn more about specific treatments in their areas by contacting their district highway office. Visit www.transportation.ky.gov and click on the

Hopkinsville Man Arrested For Child Exploitation

Kentucky State Police Detective Dan Morck arrested a Hopkinsville man March 13 on charges relating to child exploitation.

An investigation began March 10 in reference to John V. Bravard, 62, having sexual intercourse with an underage victim. At approximately 5 p.m. March 13, detectives and troopers from KSP Post 2 conducted a traffic stop

Earlington Fire Dept. Gets Operations/Safety Grant

U.S. Rep. Ed Whitfield, chairman of the House Subcommittee on Energy and Power, announced Thursday that Earlington Fire Department has received a \$392,909 Operations and Safety funding grant under the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program of the Feder-

Thank You

The family of James R. "Jimmy" Mathews would like to thank everyone for their support and encouragement, and thoughts and prayers during his sudden illness and passing.

We would like to thank everyone for their gifts of food, flowers, fellowship and fond memories during the visitation and funeral.

We would also like to send a huge thank you to the fire, police, EMS, Air-Evac and county officials who took place in making his funeral a true reflection of how he lived his life.

Thank you for taking the time out of your busy lives to make it happen. Also, a huge thank you to Beshear Funeral Home for your kindness and compassion during a very difficult time.

We are truly humbled and grateful for all of the love our friends, family and members of the community have shown us.

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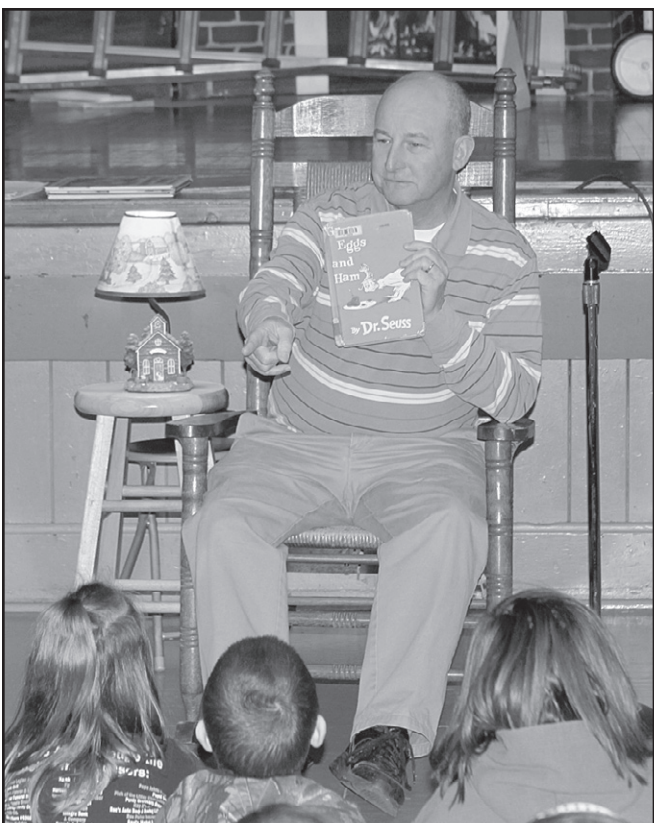
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SCOTT DILLINGHAM shares one of his favorite books with students at Dawson Springs Elementary School, Thursday, March 7, as a part of the Literacy Week activities observed by the local school.

7 Die On Kentucky Roads Mar. 11 Through Mar.17

Seven people died in seven separate crashes on Kentucky roads from March 11 through March 17.

One single-fatality motor vehicle crash occurred in each of the following counties: Allen, Bell, Casey, Christian, Pulaski and Trigg. The victims in Allen and Christian counties were not wearing seat belts. The crash in Pulaski County involved the suspected use of alcohol.

One pedestrian was killed in Jefferson County in a crash that involved the suspected use of alcohol.

Through March 17, preliminary statistics indicate 107 people have lost their lives on Kentucky roads during 2013. This is 31 fewer than reported for this time period in 2012.

Of the 94 motor vehicle fatalities, 47 victims were not wearing seat belts. One of the three motorcycle fatalities was not wearing a helmet. Nine pedestrians have been killed. One fatality involving an animal-drawn vehicle has been reported. A total of 26 fatalities have resulted from crashes involving the suspected use of alcohol.

As of March 17, Kentucky has had 21 days with zero highway fatalities reported during 2013.

No Injuries In 2 Car Accident

The Kentucky State Police investigated a two-vehicle, noninjury collision that occurred on the Pennyriple Parkway at the 46 mile marker Sunday at 1:10 p.m.

The preliminary investigation revealed Michael Easley, 58, of Crofton, was traveling southbound on the Pennyriple Parkway. He was attempting to pass the vehicle driven by Bill Harkrader, 49, of Sumner, Ill., who was also traveling south pulling a camping trailer.

Easley's vehicle began to hydroplane, striking the guardrail on the west shoulder. It re-entered the road and struck Harkrader's vehicle which entered the median, causing the trailer to roll onto its side.

Everyone involved was wearing a seat belt, and no injuries were reported.

Trooper Jonathan Carlock investigated the collision. Lt. Lonnie Bell, Hopkins County EMS and the Hanson Fire Department assisted at the scene.

Train Mishap Closes Ky. 813

The Kentucky State Police responded to a train derailment that occurred on U.S. 41 between Mortons Gap and Nortonville at 3:30 p.m. Saturday.

Upon arrival at the scene, Troopers discovered 15 rail cars had derailed and were on their sides. All cars were empty, and no one was injured. The State Highway Department was notified and a detour was set up while CSX crews worked on getting the cars back on the rails. The road between South Hopkins Middle School and Ky. 813 was closed for approximately 18 hours.

Sgt. Dean Patterson, Sgt. Trent Weaver, Trooper Joseph Bartolotti, Trooper Nick Rice and Trooper Nathan Craft responded to the scene. They were assisted by Hopkins County Emergency Management, South Hopkins Fire Department, the State Highway Department and CSX.

Dawson Springs Officers Report Week's Activities

The Dawson Springs Police Department released the following reports last week:

—Troy a Cotton, 45, 306 Alexander St., was arrested March 11. He was charged with nonpayment of fines. Josh Travis was the charging officer.

—Reba L. Horton, 66, East Ramsey Street, was arrested March 13 on East Ramsey Street. She was charged with trafficking in a second-degree controlled substance. The warrant was served for the Hopkins County Sheriff's Department. Capt. Craig Patterson was the charging officer, assisted by Chief Bill Crider.

—James Tyler, 49, 614 E. Keigan St., was arrested March 15 on Oak Heights. He was charged with operating a motor vehicle under the influence and having no registration plates. Capt. Craig Patterson was the charging officer, assisted by Officer Brad Ross.

—Michael J. Adamson, 42, 5893 Ky. 672, was arrested March 15 on East Railroad Avenue. He was charged with contempt of court, libel/slander, resistance to order. Josh Travis was the charging officer.

—Hilda Holman, 76, East Railroad Avenue, was arrested March 16 on East Railroad Avenue. She was charged with trafficking in a second-degree controlled substance. Josh Travis was the charging officer.

—Jennifer Matheny, 41, East Railroad Avenue, was arrested March 16 on East Railroad Avenue. She was charged with three counts of trafficking in a second-degree controlled substance. Josh Travis was the charging officer.

A local resident was charged by the Madisonville Police Department.

—Whitney C. Reed, 21, 232 W. Munn St., was charged March 14 with theft by unlawful taking and third-degree unlawful transaction with a minor.

Card of Thanks

The family of Norris Allen Adams would like to thank the Ambulance Service, Charleston Fire Department, Baptist Health and Beshear Funeral Home for all they did for us during this time.

We would like to thank our churches, neighbors, friends, West Hopkins School and our family for the prayers, food, visits, flowers, cards and gifts.

We would also like to express our appreciation to Bro. Roger for everything he did.

Everyone's kindness and generosity was greatly appreciated.

Myrtle, Norris Lee, Karen, Allen, Sarah, Angel, Jeff and Grandchildren

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Agricultural Pest Survey Underway Across Kentucky

By Katie Pratt

Kentuckians may soon start noticing objects attached to or hanging from trees this spring, and chances are they were put there by personnel from the Kentucky Office of the State Entomologist, which is housed at the University of Kentucky College of Agriculture.

The 2013 Cooperative Agricultural Pest Survey is designed to detect and, in some cases, eliminate exotic pests before they become a problem. The survey is a cooperative effort between the UK College of Agriculture and state and federal agencies. Each year, personnel with the Kentucky Office of the State Entomologist set out thousands of traps targeting several pests and diseases of concern.

"We see these surveys as an integral part of preventing the spread of non-native pests that can cause economic damage to our state," said Carl Harper, senior nursery inspector.

Harper, along with fellow Office of the State Entomologist personnel Joe Collins, Janet Lensing, Jennie Condra, Katie Kittrell and J. D. Loan, installed the first traps of the season the week of March 4. They will install more throughout the spring.

Insects and diseases they are surveying this year include:

—Emerald ash borer. A native to Asia, the small green metallic beetle was first found in Kentucky in 2009. Several Kentucky counties have the insect, and it can move great distances by the transportation of firewood. About 950 purple prism traps will be placed in ash trees to monitor the spread of the insect in a line roughly from Floyd County to Casey County to Hancock County to the Tennessee border. Biological control measures will be continued with the hopes

of reducing the devastating effects of the emerald ash borer.

—Pine shoot beetle. The pine shoot beetle attacks pine trees, killing the tips of the tree by boring into the stems, which then snap off. It's been discovered in Indiana and Ohio. The traps are a series of black funnels that will hang from a branch or a rope between two trees and will be installed in Northern Kentucky following the Ohio River eastward to Ashland.

—Walnut twig beetle/thousand cankers disease. Thousand cankers disease is the result of the tiny bark beetle that carries a canker-producing fungus. As the beetle moves beneath the bark of walnut branches, it creates numerous galleries, resulting in fungal infection and canker formation on the branches. While the beetle is not known to be in Kentucky, it was found in Knoxville, Tenn., in 2010. Other recent finds include around Richmond, Va., and the Great Smoky Mountains in North Carolina. As with the pine shoot beetle, a black funnel trap will be used to monitor for this insect.

—Gypsy moth. The Office of the State Entomologist has surveyed for the gypsy moth for many years, and it has been one of its most successful programs. Infestations have been found three times in the survey in Kentucky and have all been eliminated before they could become established. The pest, one of the most damaging insects to hardwood forests and urban landscapes, is not currently found in the state. Nevertheless, about 4,000 tent-shaped traps will be placed on trees in and around Lexington, Louisville, Land Between the Lakes, Lake Cumberland and from Northern Kentucky to Pike County in Eastern Kentucky, reaching as far south as Montgomery,

Menifee and Floyd counties. The traps will be orange, green or brown.

Additionally, inspectors will conduct visual surveys of trees for the hemlock woolly adelgid, Asian longhorned beetle and the disease sudden oak death.

The hemlock woolly adelgid has been a threat to the state's hemlock trees since it was first found in 2006 in Southeastern Kentucky. Surveys for this invasive pest will take place in Eastern Kentucky, where the vast majority of hemlock trees are located. They will continue biological control measures that have been going on for several years.

The Asian longhorned beetle is a known pest of 18 different trees, but it has a preference for maple. It was recently found in Bethel, Ohio. The inspectors will focus most of their efforts on this pest near state parks. Like the emerald ash borer, this pest easily spreads by moving firewood.

Sudden oak death is a major fungal problem in California and Oregon nurseries that results in the death of oak trees. While no instances of this disease have been found in Kentucky, many nurseries and garden centers

receive inventory from these two states. Rhododendron, a plentiful plant in Kentucky forests, is a host for this disease. The inspectors will do visual examinations mostly at garden centers and nurseries that receive plants from the West Coast. If symptomatic leaves are found, inspectors will collect and submit them to the UK Plant Dis-

ease Diagnostic Laboratory to confirm presence of the disease.

Commodity-specific insect surveys will be conducted in Western and Eastern Kentucky thanks to a grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture. These surveys target corn, soybean and small grains fields. Inspectors will monitor for a

variety of pest insects that haven't been found in the state before. In a similar survey, inspectors will monitor the presence of insect pests at state parks.

More information about the 2013 surveys is available on the Kentucky Cooperative Agricultural Pest Survey website at <http://www.ky-caps.org>.

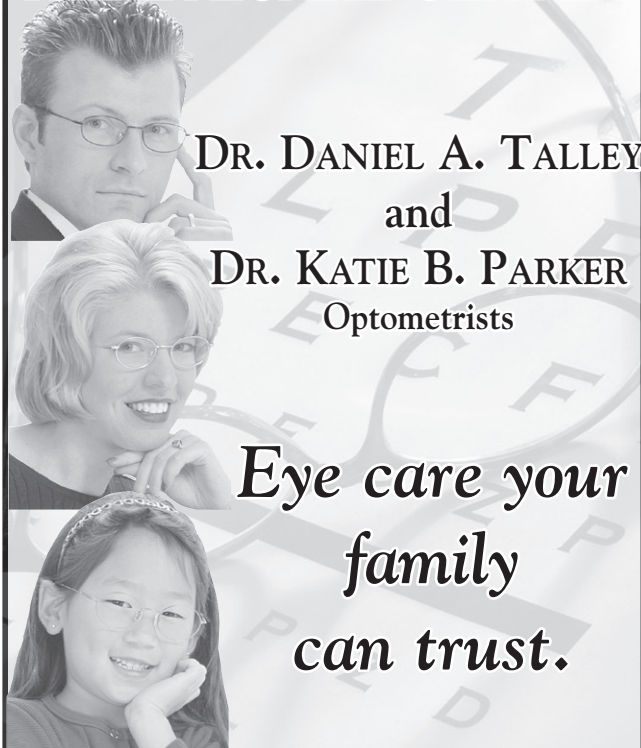


AMONG those attending the Dawson Springs Museum and Art Center chili luncheon Thursday, March 7, are Charlotte and Dave Cooley, with their grandson Jake Cooley.



JEAN MASSAMORE (left) visits with Anna Lipford Thursday, March 7, at the branch library while they enjoy the chili luncheon sponsored by the Dawson Springs Museum and Art Center.

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Sentencing

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was transported to Regional Medical Center, where he succumbed to injuries sustained in the crash.

State police reported Alfred left the scene of the crash and was located later by county sheriff's units. Investigation indicated Alfred had been under the influence of alcohol when the crash occurred. He was indicted by a grand jury last June on charges of murder, DUI, leaving the scene of an accident and failure to maintain insurance.

A jury trial had been scheduled Jan. 29, but that trial was canceled when Alfred agreed to a guilty plea on an amended charge of second-degree manslaughter. He entered the plea Feb. 5.

In court this week, Woodall accepted prosecutors' recommendation of an eight-year sentence on the manslaughter charge and two years for leaving the scene. Those sentences will be served consecutively, for a total of 10 years' imprisonment. Sentences of six months for the DUI charge and 90 days for failure to maintain insurance will be served concurrent to the other charges.

Alfred is currently lodged in the Christian County Detention Center.

Weatherman

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er summer compared to the searing heat of last year.

Powell expects the severe weather season to start in April when the Gulf of Mexico starts to warm up.

"We already had a hint at what could happen with the severe outbreak back on Jan. 30," Powell said.

On Jan. 30, Christian County experienced an outbreak of high-speed winds, and several tornadoes touched down early in the morning.



ANDREA OSBORNE wears Sheriff Frank Latham's hat during an assembly program at Dawson Springs Elementary School Tuesday, March 19. The sheriff placed his hat on the fourth grader's head while her classmates (from left) Michael Burgess, Emily Abbott and Amber Ford laughed about the gesture. Latham was one of several county officials who attended the program presented by the Kentucky Association of Counties to inform students about the various jobs of county government.

City Takes Steps For Emergency Preparedness

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appropriated several years ago for the Dawson Springs City Hall.

The installation of the irrigation system inside the fences at Riverside Park has been completed. The city water meter will be replaced and a pump installed which

will allow river water to be used as much as possible. Weather permitting, the field will be ready for the high school baseball game March 28. The street department has worked on this project, and the school will help with the seeding.

Sewell continues to be in contact with KLC and its

consulting firm concerning strategic planning for housing and economic development.

Work on the beach at Pennyrile Forest State Resort Park is progressing.

The Spruce Up Dawson Springs campaign will be scheduled to coincide with a countywide clean-up next

month.

Upcoming events include a Trail Town meeting at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday and the Friends of the Library luncheon beginning at 11 a.m. April 2.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Dawson Springs City Council will take place at 7 p.m. April 15.

Board Approves New LAN Technician Position

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ams as well as the K-Prep testing. On March 5 100 percent of the junior class took the ACT. A Career Day will be held this month featuring professionals in 22 fields, all Dawson Springs High School graduates.

In the superintendent's re-

port, Proffitt told board members he, the two principals and five teachers from each school will be trained in the new teacher evaluation system.

Proffitt is also communicating with various companies about school security systems.

The high school awards program is scheduled for 1

p.m. May 14. Baccalaureate will be held May 15 and commencement May 17.

In personnel action, Ashley Davis and Devon Aldridge were hired as certified substitutes; Laura Coleman, as an emergency certified substitute; Heather Starr and Kelly Hancock, as emergency substitutes; Dana

Smiley, as a substitute cook/baker; Richard Jennings, as a substitute custodian; and Jennifer Mitchell, as Project Prom coordinator.

Tammy Workman resigned as high school cheerleading coach effective June 30, and Charles Camplin resigned as head custodian effective April 1.

Offices Will Close Early

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet and the Hopkins County Clerk's Office will close early March 29. Office doors will close at noon.

To avoid long lines in the lobby completely, renew vehicle licenses online at mvl.ky.gov, use the convenient drop-box located on the front of the building or use mail-in service.

Citizens are urged not to wait until the end of the month to renew tags or transfer vehicles and to remember to bring current proof of insurance.

Elementary

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to Tier 1 in RTI reading.

Carlton McCuiston was the 4-H demonstration winner in Jamie Brantley's fourth-grade class. He received a prize of \$25 and will move on to the county competition March 28. The elementary academic team was scheduled to participate on the regional level Tuesday and Saturday.

Upcoming events include the monthly PTO meeting at 6 p.m. Monday, Real World Day March 28 and spring break April 1-5.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held at 3:45 p.m. April 8.

Prices Rise

Average retail gasoline prices in Kentucky have risen 5.3 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$3.67 cents per gallon Sunday, according to GasBuddy's daily survey of 2,623 gas outlets in Kentucky. This compares with the national average that has decreased 1.9 cents per gallon in the past week to \$3.65 per gallon.

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ABOUT TOWN

By Scott

It's Tourney Time, Not Spring Time

When you look at the calendar, it says spring arrives today. However, when you go outside, the first thought is that stupid groundhog didn't know what he was talking about. Whoever gave a groundhog a license to tell the weather should also be held accountable.

Since the weather isn't cooperating, the only way to know for sure we are in the last days of March is to turn on the television and watch some college basketball — lots and lots of college basketball. This is the biggest weekend of the year for college basketball.

But don't look for the Kentucky Wildcats in the NCAA Tournament. Last year's national champions aren't there. They didn't deserve to get an invitation to the Big Dance no matter who else did — and there are always problems with who is in and who is out.

The main question this year is how can a team (Missouri) finish sixth in their conference while many of the talking heads say they are a "lock" for the tournament.

Of the five teams which finished in front of the Tiggers, only Florida was also considered a "lock." The only way the Ole Miss Rebels got in was by beating the Gators in Sunday's SEC championship game.

That just doesn't make much sense.

Indiana and Miami (Fla.) are the two top seeds and deserve their places of respect.

The Hoosiers are beatable, however, and so are the Hurricanes. But unless there is a Cinderella in the remaining teams, those two will face each other in Washington, D.C., March 30 to play for a ticket to the Final Four.

The battle between these two teams should be a good one, but the Hurricanes will punch a ticket to Atlanta while they ask "Hoosier Daddy?"

One of the biggest upset possibilities is also in this region. Says here that Davidson is going to sneak by Marquette tomorrow night in Lexington.

The South Region isn't the weakest, but it's close. The good news for any Gator fans out there, this gives Billy Donovan's third-seeded Florida team a good chance to reach the Final Four — that is if they can get by the fourth-seeded Michigan Wolverines, who were ranked as the best team in the country just a month ago.

But you can write down the Gators in the Final Four as this region will boast the most upsets which will begin when the Western Kentucky Hilltoppers take down the top-seeded Jayhawks from Kansas.

But then again, someone might pinch me, and that turns out to be only a dream.

That brings us to the West Region, truly the weakest of the bunch, headed by the Gonzaga Bulldogs — a very good team, but not as good as any of the two seeds.

Pittsburgh, Wisconsin and Kansas State all play with lots of muscle and one of them will muscle the Zags right out of the tournament and send them back to Spokane.

In the bottom of this bracket, the Buckeyes from Ohio State will out play the Lobos from New Mexico, then beat any of those three teams that sent Mark Few's Zags packing earlier.

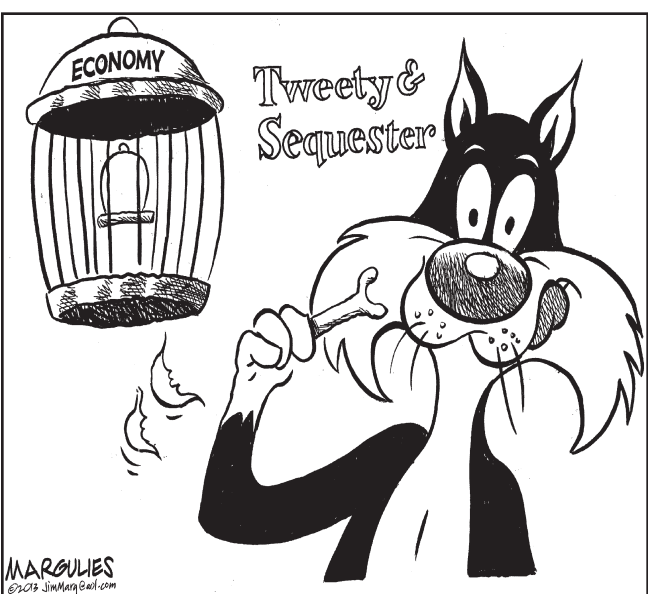
All that means the Final Four will be Louisville, Ohio State, Florida and Miami (Fla.), with the Cardinals playing the Gators April 8 for the national championship.

Rick Pitino's team will beat his star pupil's team to bring the trophy back to Kentucky — this time dressed in red instead of blue.

After losing a bet earlier in the year to Kerry Oliver, some time during this year's March Madness I'll be seen around town sporting a red Louisville shirt.

I don't own any of the red pieces of cloth, but it will be much easier for me to wear red than it would have been for Kerry to wear blue. At this point in the year, I say, "Go Cardinals!"

Kerry never, ever, not in a million years, would say, "Go Wildcats!"



COMMENTARY

Blessed Are The Caretakers

By Jim Waters
President, Bluegrass Institute
jwaters@freedomkentucky.com

"Woe unto you, lawyers," Jesus Christ himself once said.

Fast forward 20 centuries and Christ could have had the personal-injury, ambulance-chasing kind of lawyer in mind.

You've seen these law-benders' brand of advertising: targeting doctors doing their best to alleviate patients' pain through joint replacements or soliciting victims of diseases you've never heard of.

It matters not whether the physicians give it their God's-honest best shot after conferring the risks with their patients. They still tote a bulls-eye in Kentucky's target-rich, litigious environment — compliments of the ambulance chasers.

Plaintiffs are reassured

they won't pay if they lose. Of course if they win, they usually fork over up to a third of their awards to these legal leeches.

So it's no surprise that "the lawyers" and their enablers during the current Kentucky General Assembly session are the ones railing against common-sense proposals to bring some sanity to reckless lawsuits designed to take out the caretakers of the elderly.

But some reasonable legislators, including Sen. Julie Denton, R-Louisville, don't like the fact that Kentucky's nursing homes are sued more often than those in any other state, according to Aon, a top risk-assessment firm.

Denton's Senate Bill 9 would establish a Medical Review Panel made up of three physicians and a non-voting attorney, who would

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

City Made A Mistake

Dear Editor,
Out taxes were paid on time; however, the city of Dawson put our names in the paper last week (March 13).

When I called the city, I was told my name would be removed from next time's list. When I asked them if a correction would be run, I was told no.

So I am writing this letter to let the good people of Dawson Springs know I do pay my taxes.

Jill and Harvey Martin
Dawson Springs

FGP Says Thank You

Dear Editor,
In honor of Martin Luther King Jr.'s Season of

Service, the Outwood Foster Grandparents collected non-perishable food items for the student backpack programs, and donations were taken from Jan. 21 through March 15.

Thanks to all those who made generous donations to the local schools and to Outwood, this year's campaign was a success.

Shelia Ausenbaugh
FGP Coordinator
Dawson Springs

Museum Says Thanks

Dear Editor,
The Dawson Springs Museum and Art Center would like to thank everyone who helped make our membership drive and chili luncheon a huge success, including the members who renewed their

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OTHER EDITORS

General Assembly Fails Again

The 13-year experiment in Kentucky politics that is annual legislative sessions should be ended.

The General Assembly has proven once again in 2013 that the hypothesis of better governance through annual sessions is simply wrong. In fact, the yearly scheduled convergence of the commonwealth's 138 legislators upon Frankfort has served as little more than a steady reminder of their collective deficiencies in leadership.

It was in 2000 when Kentucky voters were duped into believing that if they passed a constitutional amendment allowing annual sessions — 60 days in even-numbered years, 30 in others — the statehouse would operate more productively. Let it be noted that with more than 1.1 million voters on the issue, the measure passed by only 52,204 ballots. So almost as many voters as not were seasoned enough in Kentucky politics to know that the mention of an efficient and effective Frankfort is no more than an oxymoron.

Naively handing more power to state lawmakers who so artfully ask for such is hardly unique to Kentuckians. There has been a systemic growth of government in statehouses across the nation in the last half-century. In the early 1960s, 31 state legislatures met only biennially. Today, that number is a mere four as the reach of government has grown and its efficiency withered.

In Kentucky, since the ini-

tial 30-day session opened in 2001, lawmakers will have convened 666 days at the close of the current assembly later this month. Seventy-six of those days have come in the form of 10 special sessions. In the same 13 years prior to the 2001 session, lawmakers met for a combined 107 fewer days.

The legislative body of the Bluegrass State in whole has evidenced an inability to rise above petty partisan politics that derail solutions to real problems facing the residents of the commonwealth. This year is no different. Of 1,064 bills and resolutions filed in the current session, only a handful had made it to the governor's desk after the gavel fell Tuesday on the 28th day of the 30-day session. Of the few measures that have reached Gov. Steve Beshear, none include big ticket items like redistricting, pension reform, an overhaul of the tax system, creating a framework for industrial hemp production and attention to Medicaid issues.

With only two more legislative days remaining and a bevy of important loose ends yet to be tied, another special session looms at a cost to taxpayers of \$60,000 per day in order to conclude the business of the commonwealth in 2013. So after 13 years, the only hypothesis legislators have proven about lawmaking in Kentucky is that the most efficient statehouse is one void of their presence.

—The Crittenden Press

LOOKING BACK

10, 25 & 50 Years Ago

10 Years Ago

(From the files of The Dawson Springs Progress, Thursday, March 20, 2003.)

The congregation at Dayspring Assembly of God has named the Rev. Kathy S. Redden pastor.

Whitley Nikole Adams celebrated her sixth birthday with a party Saturday, March 8.

The funeral for Mrs. Lillian Geneva Lantrip, 79, was held Monday afternoon, March 17, at Beshear Funeral Home.

The funeral for Mrs. Luther D. "Luke" Evans, 65, was held Friday afternoon, March 14, at Beshear Funeral Home.

The funeral for Mrs. Mary Frances McCormick, 84, was held Friday afternoon, March 14, at Beshear Funeral Home.

The funeral for Alton "Russell" Mullins, 82, was held Saturday afternoon, March 15, at Beshear Funeral Home.

25 Years Ago

(From the files of The Dawson Springs Progress, Thursday, March 24, 1988.)

Joshua William Winfrey celebrated his first birthday Sunday, March 6, at the home of his grandparents.

Funeral for William A. Duncan, 69, will be held

today at 1 p.m. at Beshear Funeral Home.

Services were held for Mrs. Nettie Moore Farmer, 72, Sunday afternoon, March 20, at Beshear Funeral Home.

Funeral for William Jordan (Junior) Lanham, 51, was held Friday afternoon, March 18, at Beshear Funeral Home.

50 Years Ago

(From the files of The Dawson Springs Progress, Thursday, March 21, 1963.)

LaDonna Bratcher celebrated her 14th birthday Sunday, March 17, with a dinner at her home.

Donna Townsend celebrated her 16th birthday with a surprise party Friday night.

Funeral services were held for Clarence Boyd Crafton, 61, Wednesday afternoon, at the Beshear Funeral Home.

Funeral services will be held for William Lester Menser, 74, Thursday afternoon, at the Beshear Funeral Home.

Last rites were conducted for Mrs. Lula Izora Bradley, 75, Saturday afternoon at the Ilsley Holiness Church.

Funeral services were held for Mrs. Margaret Ellen Foe, 23, Monday afternoon at the Walnut Grove Church.

MOMENTS IN TIME

• On March 22, 1908, Louis L'Amour, the author of scores of bestselling Western novels, is born in Jamestown, N.D. After returning from World War II, L'Amour began writing short stories and novels. His big break came when a novel he wrote at the age of 46 became the basis for the popular John Wayne movie "Hondo."

• On March 18, 1937, nearly 300 students in Texas are killed by an explosion of natural gas at their school. Eleven oil and natural-gas derricks stood in the schoolyard as a means of saving the school money. The blast killed most victims instantly and was felt 40 miles away.

• On March 20, 1965, President Lyndon Johnson sends a telegram to Gov. George Wallace of Alabama in which he agrees to send federal troops to supervise a planned civil-rights march in Wallace's home state.

• On March 21, 1980, President Jimmy Carter informs a group of U.S. athletes that, in response to the December 1979 Soviet incursion into Afghanistan, the United States would boycott the 1980 Olympics in Moscow. It marked the first and only time that the United States has boycotted the Olympics.

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Blessed Are The Caretakers

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examine the evidence of malpractice claims and determine whether a complaint against a nursing home is warranted.

While the panel's expert opinion is limited only to determining whether the nursing home in question breached medical-care standards and is non-binding in court, its decision would be admissible and carry considerable weight with juries.

At least 16 states — including neighboring Indiana and Virginia — require medical liability or malpractice cases be heard by screening panels before being placed on court dockets.

However, Kentucky's ambulance chasers and their politician-enablers in Frankfort are fighting vigorously against this idea because it attacks a source of easy money for the lawyers.

Sheila Hiestand, an attorney with Hughes & Coleman, told Bowling Green's WBKO-TV: "What's happening is the bill itself is putting profits over people. It's allowing the nursing home industry — the nation-

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memberships, the new members and the support members.

Also, we would like to thank all the volunteers from the museum and others for all their work: Virginia Chaney and Martha Kirk for making the chili; all the others who made sandwiches, desserts and drinks; and Mary Adams for the use of the library.

We would like to invite everyone to come down and visit the exhibit of the school art of the Dawson Springs High School classes of Cindy Crider.

Sylvia Thomas
Executive Director

Ball Team Says Thanks

Dear Editor,

The DSHS baseball team would like to thank the Dawson Springs community for their generosity on Saturday, March 9. The team held a bucket brigade in town to raise some much needed money to purchase equipment for the team this season. The weather was cool, but your support was very warm.

We also would like to thank the athletic boosters and the Junior Pro basketball teams for their support during the past few weeks.

Our season has been delayed a few weeks, but we invite everyone to Riverside Park to watch our young men play ball this season.

Once again, we thank you.
Darla and Willie Adams
Anita Black
Jennifer and Derrick Brewer

al industry — to make more money."

I'm certain Hiestand does not appreciate all lawyers being labeled as money-grubbing parasites. Yet she issues a blanket charge accusing nursing homes of caring more about money than their patients.

With no caps on pain-and-suffering damages and no filter to weed out frivolous claims, nursing homes across the Bluegrass State often just settle rather than risk going bankrupt from big paydays won by plaintiffs' over-the-top claims — not to mention the bad PR for an industry that isn't exactly at the top of the list of most-loved institutions.

Those who truly care about the abused and downtrodden should welcome a medical review panel. Having a second opinion offered by physicians will add credibility to legitimate claims and make it more likely that the victimized and their loved ones get the victory in court they deserve.

Taxpayers also will benefit, considering Medicaid funds cover the care of more than 65 percent of Kentucky's nursing home residents.

I'm privileged to know great lawyers who fight for Kentuckians who have had their liberties threatened or who quietly help individuals every day who can't pay get a fair shot.

But that's not what Pikeville lawyer and Democratic Sen. Ray Jones did during the recent debate about the issue on the Senate floor. Holding up photos he claimed were of abused nursing home patients, Jones launched into a rant in which he suggested all nursing homes abuse their patients.

But not all — or even most — do, just like many lawyers don't chase ambulances or prey upon those with exotic diseases.

Woe unto you, Mr. Jones.



CHRISTINE WINGO stops to chat with Charlie Beshears (left) and Peggy Furgerson as she leaves the branch library Thursday, March 7, after attending the chili luncheon sponsored by the Dawson Springs Museum and Art Center.

Governor Signs Graduation Bill

Calling it "one of my most satisfying acts as governor," Gov. Steve Beshear signed into law the Graduation Bill (Senate Bill 97), which will keep Kentucky students enrolled in school until they turn 18.

Gov. Beshear and first lady Jane Beshear have joined educators and child advocates to fight for this bill's passage for the past five legislative sessions. A late-session compromise among legislators led to the approval of SB97, which allows school districts to opt in to the higher dropout age immediately. Once 55 percent of school districts adopt the policy, all remaining districts must then adopt the standard within four years.

"Finally, we have agreed to stop jeopardizing our students' futures by allowing them to leave school before they're even eligible for a driver's license. Now, we are holding them to 21st century expectations of education and training," said Beshear. "The days of dropping out of high school and expecting a dependable, well-paying job are long gone. This bill will not only keep students on track for a high school diploma, but it will ensure we have a better-trained, better-prepared workforce, which will pay off for our state for decades to come."

"Allowing students to leave school at 16 is an antiquated practice that has hindered our citizens' progress for far too long," said first lady Jane Beshear. "School districts now have the tools to keep these students engaged and learning throughout high school, creating stronger, self-sufficient adults who will be responsible, contributing members of their communities."

"This bill is an economic win for Kentucky and an even bigger win for the students who otherwise may not have stayed in school," said Education Commissioner Terry Holliday. "I echo the governor's appreciation for the General Assembly and others who supported this bill and thank him as well as the first lady for their continued leadership on this issue."

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Say you haven't been to confession in a while? Interested, but worry you don't remember how to go to Confession? No problem. You can simply pick up a Reconciliation (Confession) brochure at the back of church for helpful "how-to" guidance.

Another part of The Light is On for You is prayer before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. We are making a commitment to pray in a special way for family members, friends, colleagues and neighbors who are alienated from the Church or who are inactive in the practice of their faith during this same time each Wednesday in Lent in our Catholic Churches all around Western Kentucky.

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 - March 6 at Holy Cross Church in Providence
 - March 6 at Immaculate Conception Church in Earlington
 - March 13 at Holy Cross Church in Providence
 - March 20 at Resurrection Church in Dawson Springs
 - March 27 at Immaculate Conception Church in Earlington

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Add 2013 To List Of UK's Humble Pie Moments

SPORTS IN KENTUCKY



BOB WATKINS

As many as 20 teams have a legitimate chance to win the NCAA championship, basketball experts tell us. Since Kentucky Derby experts pour over equine details like scientists in Silicon Valley, before picking one Run for the Roses winner that seldom wins, isn't it refreshing that hoops experts blab at each for hours on air then are savvy enough to pick 20 to win?

First among any 20? Louisville. Rick Pitino has his Cardinals at razor's edge. The ways UofL spotted Syracuse a 17-point lead, then dismembered the Orangemen, Louisville elevated itself to the No. 1 seed and team nobody wants to play.

Next!

Happy to be here dept.

Western Kentucky. With some fickle Topper fans quieted after yawling for the coach's scalp three weeks ago, Ray Harper's team ate the canary last week, sealed a 20-win season, earned a pay-check game against Kansas and civil right to smirk at and dismiss critics.

What can Western expect besides a whuppin from the Jayhawks?

✓Chance to show it can dance with a big dog in prime television time.

✓A 6-11 high school prospect gets to see coaching, poise, teamwork, determination and opportunity to play and decides to visit Bowling Green.

✓Another piece-of-the-pie paycheck into the coffers from the NCAA.

✓And, a flirtation with Harper by another school or two.

Kentucky

Those of us who've been around a few springtimes know the University of Kentucky basketball's Big Blue Nation has suffered a lion's share of embarrassments and humble pie moments. Add 2013 to the list.

✓Embarrassment because of their season. Their? Individuals who wore the same shirts, forgot Kentucky on the front, played for names on the back, theirs, and became good at ignoring their coaches.

✓Humble pie moment? For the fifth time since 1985, a defending NCAA champion was sent to exile. In Kentucky's case, a Pittsburgh suburb and the NIT.

This week a few Post notes from the edge.

1. Bizarro World I. College basketball's winningest program could not host a first round NIT game because its home arena was already booked for NCAA top seed Louisville. And, 7,000-seat Memorial Coliseum was not available either because UK's athletics staff was already booked to host the NAAs at Rupp.

2. Bizarro World II. Kentucky did not accept a bid to the NIT so much as it was contractually bound to it by preseason agreement. Top tier teams not selected to the NAAs must play, if chosen. in the NIT. Father of this arrangement? C.M. Newton.

3. Bizzaro World III. Robert Morris U's mail address is Moon Township near Pittsburgh. On February 10, 1959 a child was born in Moon. John Calipari.

4. Selection committee got the overall No. 1 seed right.

5. College basketball's coach of the year is Rick Pitino. Preseason picked among the nation's top three, UofL got back to the penthouse at precisely the right time.

6. NCAA Tournament bracket. First thing I look for after "who's in and who wuz robbed," is seed matchups at 8-9 and 7-10. This time: Notre Dame and Iowa State (7-10) in the West; North Carolina State-Temple (8-9) in the East; but Creighton-Cincinnati (7-10) in Midwest. Enjoy.

7. This year's Add-Insult-to-Injury game: Kentucky AT Robert Morris U. The Colonials' home gym is the Charles L. Sewall Center, the "Chuck," seating capacity 3,056.

8. College arenas in Kentucky aside, our state has dozens of high school gyms with triple RMU's seating capacity.

9. Jon Hood retrospective. Basketball fans who root for teams at half dozen universities in Kentucky know Hood could have been an effective player "somewhere else."

Retro message is not new, but remains hard truth: A multitude of Kentucky sons have dreamed of playing at Kentucky or Louisville, but those who wanted to play instead of watch, examined scholarship options at other state schools.

10. If the Wizard of Westwood was picking winner of the John R. Wooden college player of the year Award, his choice would be the kid with a 3.7 GPA and Big East Scholar Athlete of the Year, and heart of his team, Peyton Siva at Louisville.

11. College basketball officials did not have a quality year. Most glaring public examples of how officials lacked courage:

✓Let games become too physical, ever more like the NBA.

✓Ignored coach box violations which emboldened coaches to violate the box, scream and harass referees all the more.

✓Hand-checks by defenders and push-offs by players on offense. No calls.

Other changes I would like to see:

12. ESPN and networks covering college basketball eliminate the apparent good-buddy and ex-coach system as criteria for choosing game analysts. Particularly ESPN should re-calibrate, try something new like: Put a premium on word economy instead of blitzkrieg. Promote analysts who tell us (quietly) "what time it is," instead of screaming "how to build a watch." (Jimmy Dykes).

Use America's most popular device of the day, a poll. Survey those who listen (and buy products), FANS on their favorites.

Moving on.

13. Tribute to mastery. Vanderbilt coach Kevin Stallings demonstrated (again) how to master Kentucky. The Commodores denied UK an SEC tournament title last year and delivered the last blow to UK's chance to defend its NCAA crown this year.

Clearly inferior to Kentucky talent, Stallings' team played like one and shot the way Kentucky teams used to do. In obvious contrast, John Calipari's pleading, screaming and begging his individuals to be a team never happened.

Worth repeating dept.

Email from an angry Kentucky basketball fan:

"This group of individuals (I refuse to call them a team) has no heart, no guts, and are operating under the huge misconception that they deserve an NCAA invitation because they have the name Kentucky across their chests.

"Facts are facts and the fact is this simply is not a very good group of individuals. Perhaps sitting out a year will teach them all, coaches included, what hard work and team play means."

And so it goes.

You can reach Bob Watkins at sprtsinky@aol.com.

Cave Run Lake: Best Place To Fish For Muskies

By Art Lander

Cave Run Lake has been Kentucky's top muskellunge fishing destination since the lake first reached summer pool in 1974.

The lake's reputation was built on its rugged beauty and its accessibility, lying just minutes south of Interstate 64. The sheer number of quality muskellunge produced through the decades also bolstered Cave Run's reputation.

March is the traditional start of muskie fishing on the 8,270-acre reservoir in Daniel Boone National Forest.

"When water temperatures start to rise into the 40s, muskies go into spawning mode and move into the shallows at the heads of creeks," said Tony Grant, a muskie fishing guide on Cave Run Lake since 1989. "They are drawn to waters running into the lake."

Anglers look for stained water because it's often a few degrees warmer. The influx of nutrients attracts shad and other baitfish. Some of the best areas of the lake to fish in early spring are Warix Run, Caney Creek and Scott Creek, which have broad shallow mud flats that warm up fast on sunny days.

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Grant fishes downsized lures when the water is still cold; mostly lipless crankbaits with loud rattles, such as the one-ounce Rattlin' Shad or Rat'L Trap.

As the water warms up into the 50s, he casts 5- to 6-inch shallow-running crankbaits and up to 1½-ounce spinnerbaits. "Later in the spring muskies begin to move out onto the mid-creek points, and eventually to the main lake," said Grant. "They get deeper as the warm weather progresses."

Every spring the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources samples the lake's muskie population by electrofishing.

"Through the years we've found that muskies are distributed throughout all sections of the lake in March," said Fred Howes, northeastern fisheries biologist for Kentucky Fish and Wildlife. "We find excellent numbers of 30-inch and larger muskies."

Howes said he believes little if any natural reproduction by muskies occurs in the lake. The population is maintained through annual stockings of about 2,800 12- to 13-inch juvenile muskies.

"The number stocked can fluctuate from year to year, based on spawning success at the Minor Clark Fish Hatchery," said Howes. The hatchery is just below the dam.

Survival of the stocked muskies is good. Typically by age five, a muskie in Cave Run Lake has reached the 36-inch minimum size limit and weighs about 13.5 pounds.

There is a good carryover of larger fish because so many anglers practice catch and release.

"Based on 2007 data, we estimate that about 61 percent of the 36-inch or longer muskies caught were released," said Howes. "That high catch-and-release rate maintains a quality fishery."

Since its impoundment, Cave Run Lake has produced two state record muskies, including the current record: a 47-pounder caught on Nov. 2, 2008 by Sarah K. Terry of Mt. Sterling.

The license year expired Feb. 28, 2013. You'll need to buy a new fishing license to fish now.

Licenses and permits may also be purchased online from the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife homepage at fw.ky.gov or by calling 1-877-598-2401.

The entire Spring Fishing Frenzy series will be posted at this same website for future access to these articles.

Author Art Lander Jr. has been writing about the outdoors since the 1970s. He is a staff writer for Kentucky Afield Magazine.

Asian Carp Tourney Yields 40 Tons

Commercial anglers netted nearly 83,000 pounds of Asian carp during the country's first freshwater commercial fishing tournament.

Barry Mann claimed the top prize of \$10,000 after hauling 28,670 pounds of fish from Kentucky and Barkley lakes during the two-day tournament held March 12-13.

"We were in them all day long," said Mann, of Benton. "They were still jumping around the boat when we had to leave. What we went for was 20,000 pounds. We were pleased with our weight."

Ron Brooks, fisheries director for the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources, said the tournament underscored the enormity of Asian carp issues in two of Kentucky's most economically and recreationally important reservoirs — as well as other areas in the state.

"Kentucky waters are infested with Asian carp," Brooks said. "The 40 tons of carp removed during this tournament is not insignificant, but this is only a drop in the proverbial bucket. The results were as clear as is the message: We must employ the commercial industry to remove Asian carp."

Two species of Asian carp — bighead carp and silver carp — are plankton feeders and do not take bait off a hook like a sport fish. Brooks noted that these carp over harvest plankton, which are the base of the aquatic food chain. Carp threaten the well-being of native fish and mussels by removing this source of nutrition.

Twenty-one commercial fishing teams originally signed up for the tournament. The number dropped to 15 on opening day, then to 11 teams as some fishermen dropped far behind Mann's team and the team of Heath Frailley, the runner-up.

Frailley, a resident of Calhoun, brought back 22,000 pounds of carp. His team earned the \$4,000 second-place prize.

Owen Trainer of Sturgis secured third place and a \$3,000 prize with 7,790 pounds of fish. Ben Duncan, who only fished one day, won \$2,000 for fourth place for 7,160 pounds of fish. Joe Bommarito took fifth place and a \$1,000 prize with 4,340 pounds of fish.

Department officials had hoped that each team would harvest 5,000 pounds of fish a day to meet the tournament goal of 200,000 pounds. The most experienced teams managed to exceed the daily goal.

Volunteer monitors for the tournament came from Maine, Tennessee, Illinois, Missouri and Kentucky. The monitors noted that sport fish species such as bass, bluegill, catfish, and crappie were rarely caught in the nets during the tournament. Sport fish were released immediately.

Brooks wants to hold more tournaments. "The numbers of carp are becoming alarming in many waters, including Kentucky and Barkley lakes," he said. "Tournaments are currently this department's only tool for removing measurable quantities of Asian carp."

Brooks said the department has learned much from this pilot tournament and plans to have more if funding can be found to give impetus to commercial fishermen to fish the two reservoirs. "The number of tournaments is dependent upon, of course, funding," he said. "We need sponsors and we need donations."

The first Asian carp commercial fishing tournament was successful because of key sponsors such as the League of Kentucky Sportsmen, Cabelas and the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Foundation.

Those wishing to support future tournaments through donations can do so online at www.kentuckywildlife.com.

Tournaments will continue until fish processing plants can be built to support the existing market for Asian carp. That could generate the prices needed by commercial fishermen to make Asian carp worth their while.

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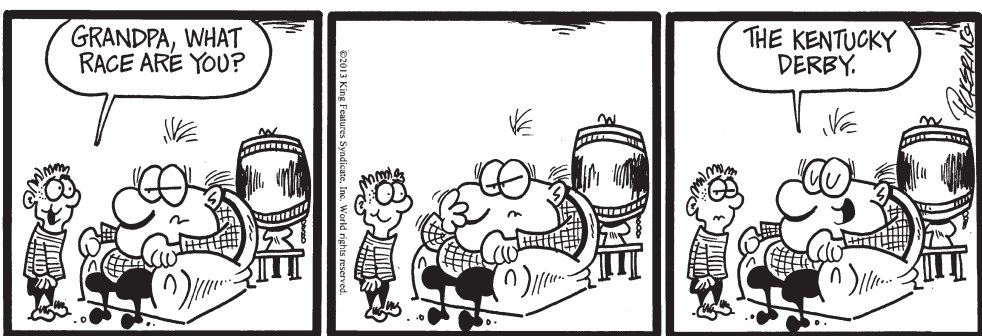
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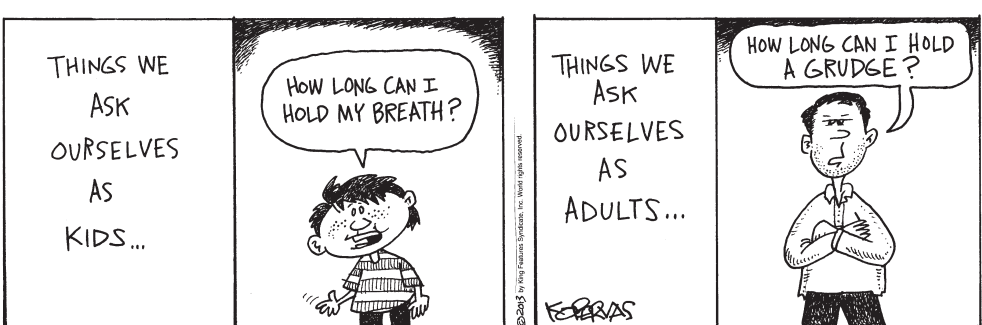
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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★ Moderate ★★ Challenging
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Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



TRIVIA TEST

1. GEOGRAPHY: In which country is Mount Ararat located?
 2. LITERATURE: Who wrote the novel "The Color Purple"?
 3. DANCE: Who wrote the score for the American ballet "Rodeo"?
 4. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which president served as a congressman in the House of Representatives after finishing his presidential term?
 5. HISTORY: What was the year of the first Thanksgiving feast in the New World?
 6. MEASUREMENTS: How many inches are in a hand?
 7. MEDICAL: What is a common name for the medical condition alopecia?
 8. TELEVISION: What was the theme song to "The Mary Tyler Moore Show"?
 9. ART: In what U.S. city is the National Gallery of Art located?
 10. MOVIES: What was the name of the 2004 movie with the tagline, "A True Underdog Story"?
- Answers
1. Turkey
 2. Alice Walker
 3. Aaron Copland
 4. John Quincy Adams
 5. 1621
 6. Four inches
 7. Baldness
 8. "Love Is All Around"
 9. Washington, D.C.
 10. "Dodgeball"
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 - 28 "— minute!"
 - 29 Mambo king Puente
 - 31 Had food
 - 32 "Who Said Gay —?" (song from "Can-Can")
 - 34 Tender of Andean animals?
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 - 42 Many-acred home
 - 43 Things keeping baby sheep from straying?
 - 47 Actor Waggoner
 - 49 Newspaper opinion piece
 - 50 Prefix that means "egg"
 - 51 Caustic cleaners
 - 52 Zaragoza's river
 - 55 — buco (veal meal)
 - 57 Spilled the beans
 - 59 Medusa's activity?
 - 65 Not open
 - 67 At the acme
 - 68 See
 - 69 Cow noise
 - 70 Proclaims, biblically
 - 71 Wicked
 - 73 High-tech greeting
 - 75 Flurry
 - 76 "Friday Night Fights" airer
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 - 80 Car houser
 - 82 People trying out covered wagons?
 - 86 Turn to mush
 - 88 Hammered item
 - 89 Word repeated after "qué"
 - 90 Big name in synthesizers
 - 92 HDTV brand
 - 93 Walked
 - 96 Staff symbol
 - 98 Silky fabric worn by a primate?
 - 101 Stop up again, as a wine bottle
 - 103 "Sil — plait"
 - 106 Portable PC
 - 107 Be cleverer than a famed candy man?
 - 110 Ivy League Philly sch.
 - 114 Simple card game
 - 115 Spot for a mail slot
 - 116 67-Across, in poetry
 - 117 Neighbor of N. Dak.
 - 120 "— do not!"
 - 121 Conveyed via a conduit
 - 123 They're hidden in seven long answers in this puzzle
 - 127 Pianist's exercise
 - 128 "The stage —"
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 - 5 He played TV's Al Bundy
 - 6 Old El — (taco brand)
 - 7 Shortened form, for short
 - 8 Kovalchuk of the NHL
 - 9 Salesperson, for short
 - 10 Response to a great retort
 - 11 "— Mucho" (1944 #1 hit)
 - 12 Meyers of the screen
 - 13 Every 30 days or so
 - 14 Hollywood's Dickinson
 - 15 Young haddocks
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 - 35 Sterling silver, say
 - 36 Tavern chair
 - 38 Singer Crystal
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 - 45 Hundred cubed
 - 46 One next to you on a plane, e.g.
 - 48 Soft throws
 - 53 Plant that flowers
 - 54 Act of retaliation
 - 56 More cunning
 - 58 Point
 - 60 Hockey actor
 - 61 Wiggling
 - 62 Mental pictures
 - 63 Electric razor brand
 - 64 The Almighty
 - 66 The Beatles' "— Woman"
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 - 71 Verb suffix
 - 72 Pantry raider
 - 74 Vid shooter
 - 77 Stay with, as a decision
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 - 80 Aggregation
 - 81 After — (kind of)
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 - 84 Regarding
 - 85 Samms or Watson
 - 87 Khaki
 - 91 Fly ball's antithesis
 - 93 Touring actor
 - 94 Bring back together
 - 95 Ink squirter
 - 97 Earth's highest peak
 - 99 Tarzan actor Ron
 - 100 PC software
 - 102 Relieved (of)
 - 104 Golf tourney
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 - 108 Pueblo builders
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To Your Good Health

By Paul G. Donohue, M.D.

Sciatica Often Leaves on Its Own

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I have had sciatica for two and a half months. Even though I am better than at I was first, I am taking forever to fully recover. I have had chiropractic treatments and physiotherapy.

My doctor tells me it will go away on its own. Books that I have read say that most recover in six weeks. It's going on three months for me.

I also had vasculitis (Henoch-Schonlein purpura). I haven't experienced any symptoms for a couple of years. I have been feeling nauseated and have had loose BMs and the odd stomachache. A red spot appeared on my leg a few days ago. Do you think the vasculitis is playing a role in my delay in recovery? -- J.B.

ANSWER: I'll describe the typical pain of sciatica, and you see if the description fits your pain. The sciatic nerve is the body's largest and longest nerve. It travels from the lower back, down the leg to the ankle or foot. Pressure on the nerve from a protruding back disk, a bone spur or anything that compresses the nerve brings on sharp or burning pain running down the side and back of the leg to the foot.

Pulling the knees to the

chest and holding that position for 20 seconds produces sciatica pain.

The pain of sciatica often lessens and disappears in one or two months.

The X-ray report you included doesn't rule in or rule out sciatica. If the pain persists, an MRI or CT scan provides additional information. You are improving, so I think eventually you should be pain-free.

Vasculitis is an inflammation of blood vessels, and Henoch-Schonlein (HE-knock SURN-line) purpura is one kind of vasculitis. Children get this illness more than adults do. Red blotches that turn into bruises (purpura) pop up on the buttocks and legs. Joint pain, abdominal pain, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea (or constipation) also arise. In the first year after recovery, relapses are common.

If your current stomach troubles worsen or you see more red blotches, get back to the doctor who took care of you before. I don't believe that HS, if it is returning, is interfering with your recovery from sciatica.

The booklet on back problems describes their common causes and their treatment. Readers can order a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue -- No. 303W, Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a check or money order (no cash) for

\$4.75 U.S./\$6 Canada with the recipient's printed name and address. Please allow four weeks for delivery.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: As someone preparing for a liver biopsy, please discuss the procedure, recovery and possible side effects. -- R.J.

ANSWER: Doctors perform a liver biopsy with a needle attached to a suction device that can capture a thin piece of the organ for microscopic examination. The needle is inserted through the skin over the liver. First the doctor cleans the skin with an antiseptic and often numbs it. The procedure takes less than a minute. You return home shortly thereafter.

Side effects are rare. Bleeding is possible. So is infection. Neither happens frequently.

You don't have to prepare yourself in any special way.

Dr. Donohue regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but he will incorporate them in his column whenever possible. Readers may write him or request an order form of available health newsletters at P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.

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Services Are Held Friday For Paul McGregor, 100

The funeral for Paul C. McGregor, 100, of Murray, was held Friday at Beshear Funeral Home.

Elder Jeff Winfrey and the Rev. Jay Ridenour officiated. Burial with full military honors was in Good Hope Cemetery in Hopkins County.

McGregor died at 7:49 p.m. March 11, 2013, at Woods Senior Living Community in Murray.

He was born Nov. 1, 1912, in St. Charles, to the late Bunyon and Mona Florence McGregor.

He was a member of the Dawson Springs Primitive Baptist Church and attended the First Baptist Church in Murray. He was a World War II Army veteran and a retired farmer and teacher. He was an avid Murray State University Lady Racer basketball fan.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a sister, Nell Teague.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Iretta Teague McGregor, to whom he was married May 12, 1946; a daughter, Paula McGregor



PAUL MCGREGOR

(Steve) Alcott of Murray; two sons, James Rhett (Robert) McGregor of Cincinnati, Ohio, and William Clark (Doyle) McGregor of Versailles; a sister, Nan Powell of Madisonville; seven grandchildren, Kristen (George) Bloom, Jayson (Mindy) McGregor, Paige Alcott (Jim) Smith, Autumn Alcott (Jay) Ridenour, Katie Alcott (Mike) Wright, Jill McGregor and Nick McGregor; and nine great-grandchildren.

Memorial donations may be made to the Murray Gideon Camp, P.O. Box 931, Murray, KY 42071.

Graveside Services Held For Marvin Lantrip, 83

A graveside service for Marvin Lantrip, 83, of Madisonville, was held March 13 at Shy Flat Cemetery. The Rev. Jackie Mathis officiated. Beshear Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Lantrip was the son of the late Thomas E. and Ila Mae Jane Menser Lantrip. He was also preceded in death by three sisters and six brothers.

He is survived by a nephew, Raleigh Farar, of Dawson Springs.



MIKE and Linda Randolph were among the large crowd who attended the chili luncheon Thursday, March 7, at the Dawson Springs Branch Library. The luncheon was a fund raiser for the Dawson Springs Museum and Art Center.

OBITUARIES

Services Are Saturday For James Claxton Sr.

A gathering of family and friends was held March 16 for James Robert Claxton Sr., 85.

Claxton died March 12, 2013, with his family at his side.

He was born July 12, 1927, in Crofton, to Maggie and Andrew Claxton.

He was valedictorian of his graduating class at Dawson Springs High School and was part of the 1948 basketball team that competed in the Kentucky High School State Championship. He attended Western Kentucky University where he played basketball.

Early in his career, Claxton was a manager of the Cadiz Ford dealership, and he owned and operated a stock car racetrack and a Standard Oil service station, both in Cadiz.

In 1964 he moved to Frankfort and worked for the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet until his retirement in 1988. He also served briefly as president of Manning Equipment in Louisville.

Claxton was an accomplished athlete, outdoorsman and Boy Scout den leader in Western Kentucky. As a youth baseball and basketball coach, he won numerous championships and touched the lives of many young



JAMES CLAXTON

people. In his later years, he enjoyed golfing with his friends.

He was a longtime member of the First United Methodist Church, a member of the Frankfort Country Club and served on the Frankfort Board of Parks and Recreation for many years.

Survivors include his wife of 57 years, Mary Lee Claxton; a daughter, Cindy (Tom) Hatfield of Lexington; a son, James (Cheryl) Claxton Jr. of Union; four grandchildren, Lindsey Lee Hatfield Bowman, Taylor Hatfield, Caleb Claxton and Aubrey Claxton; and two great-grandchildren, Madison and Barrett Bowman.

Online condolences can be made at clarklegacycenter.com.

New Hope Holiness Church Plans Revival Next Week

New Hope Holiness Church will hold a spring revival March 25 through March 31. Services will be held at 6 p.m. nightly and at 10 a.m. Easter Sunday.

Speakers are as follows: Wednesday, Pastor Doug Barnett; Thursday, the Rev.

Butch McKnight; Friday, the Rev. Lexia Lovik; Saturday, Pastor Eugene McKnight.

Sunday school will be held at 10 a.m. Easter with worship at 11 a.m. An egg hunt will follow the service. Everyone is welcome.

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Morning Worship, 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship, 6 p.m.
Wednesday, 10 a.m. and 7 p.m.

MT. PISGAH BAPTIST CHURCH
White School Road
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m.
Training Union, 6 p.m.
Evening Worship, 7 p.m.
Prayer Meeting, Wednesday, 7 p.m.

CASTLEBERRY GENERAL BAPTIST CHURCH
Empire, Ky.
Dwight Brown, Pastor
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11 a.m.
Evening Worship, 6 p.m.
Bible Study, Wednesday, 7 p.m.

LAFAYETTE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
5325 Niles Road
Rev. Thurman Harris, Pastor
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11 a.m.

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Rev. Rick Denny
Each Sunday, 2 p.m.

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Rev. E. J. Hutton, Pastor
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11 a.m.

MISSIONARY BAPTIST TEMPLE
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Bro. Donnie Howton, Pastor
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11 a.m.
Evening Worship, 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service, 7 p.m.

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Sun. Evening Evangelistic, 6 p.m.
Wed. Night Bible Study, 7 p.m.
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Rev. Danny Earl, Pastor
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11 a.m.

GREENWOOD COMMUNITY CHURCH
Union Temple Road
Rev. Bobby McKnight, Pastor
Morning Worship, 10 a.m.
Evening Worship, 6 p.m.
Wednesday, 7 p.m.

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Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m.
Thursday Bible Study, 10 a.m.

DUNN MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
Highway 109 North
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11 a.m.
Training Union, 6 p.m.
Evening Worship, 7 p.m.
Prayer Meeting, Wednesday, 7 p.m.

MIDWAY VALLEY PENTECOSTAL CHURCH
Highway 62 West
Bro. Willard Walls, Pastor
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11 a.m.
Evening Worship, 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service, 7 p.m.

NEW HOPE MISSIONARY BAPTIST
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Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11 a.m.
Evening Worship, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, 7 p.m.

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Wednesday Service, 6:30 p.m.

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Prayer Meeting, Wednesday, 7 p.m.

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Evening Worship, 6 p.m.

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Evening Worship, 6 p.m.
Wednesday, 7 p.m.

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Highway 109 North
Dr. Calvin Bryant, Pastor
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11 a.m.
Evening Worship, 6 p.m.
Prayer Meeting, Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

SUTHARDS BAPTIST CHURCH
Highway 112
Bro. George Brooks, Pastor
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11 a.m.
Training Union, 6 p.m.
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Prayer Meeting, Wednesday, 7 p.m.

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Prayer Meeting, Wednesday, 7 p.m.

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Wednesday Service, 7 p.m.

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Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11 a.m.
Prayer Meeting, Wednesday, 7 p.m.

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Morning Worship, 10 a.m.
Evening Worship, 6 p.m.
Wednesday, 7 p.m.

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Wednesday, 7 p.m.

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Services Are Saturday For Roena Janet Moore

The funeral for Roena Janet Moore, 80, formerly of Dawson Springs, was held Saturday at Beshear Funeral Home.

The Rev. Ron Hendricks officiated. Burial was in Rosedale Cemetery.

Mrs. Moore died March 13, 2013, at Ridgewood Terrace in Madisonville.

She was born May 27, 1932, in Hopkins County, to the late Erman Lewis Good and Flossie Ann Rambo Good.

At one time she worked in the New Century Hotel Coffee Shop. She also worked at Arvin Industries for 10 years, and she helped her husband manage and operate Moore's Grocery. She was a member of the Greater Lighthouse Holiness Church in Madisonville and a 1949 graduate of Charleston High School.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, William Verlan Moore, Jan. 28, 2011; two



ROENA J. MOORE

brothers Lewis Good and J.C. Good; and a sister, Alberta Louise Sisk.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Kay and the Rev. Jim Tate, Hendersonville, Tenn.; a son and daughter-in-law, the Rev. Kenneth L. and Carol Moore, Goodlettsville, Tenn.; and two grandchildren, Ryan L. Moore and Rebekah Jane Moore.

Former Local Businessman Fred Burress Dies At Home

Fred Anderson Burress, 67, of Dawson Springs, died March 13, 2013, at his home. He was the former owner and operator of the Dawson Springs Meat Market.

Survivors include a sister,

Mazie Hanks.

No service or visitation was held. Burial was in Oakwood Cemetery in Earlinton, with Reid-Walters Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

John Adcock Died Tuesday Arrangements Are Pending

Arrangements are pending at Beshear Funeral Home for John Adcock, 77,

of Dawson Springs.

Adcock died March 19, 2013, at his home.

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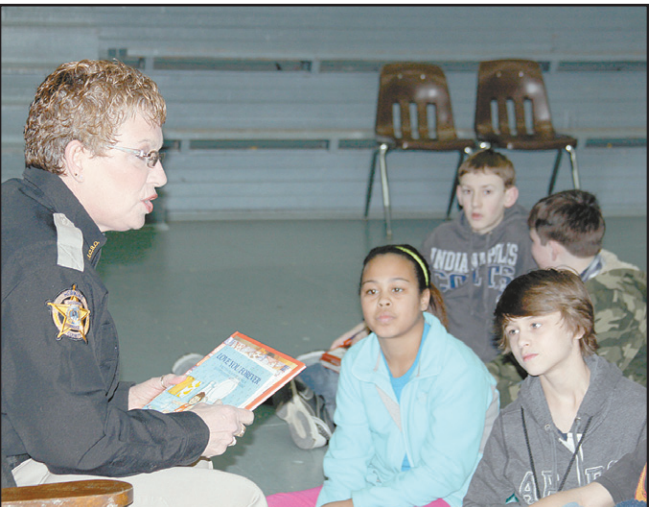
Volunteers from the Retired Senior Volunteer Program will be at the Dawson Springs Branch Library Katherine Barnett meeting room doing free tax preparation tomorrow. For an appointment, phone 797-8990.

Friends of the Library annual membership drive has begun. Memberships are \$15 per family, \$7.50 for individuals and \$2 for students. The Friends of the Library funds help pay for programs and items for the library such as prizes for the summer read-

ing program.

The Friends of the Library lasagna luncheon is planned for April 2 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Katherine Barnett room. Lasagna, white lasagna, salad, dessert and drinks will be served. Carry outs will be available.

The library has a drop off jug for Box Tops for Education to help earn cash for Dawson Springs schools. Box top coupons can be clipped from hundreds of participating products.



PUNKIN ARNETT reads a book to Dawson Springs Elementary School students (from left) **Katellinn Green, Connor Ames, James Thomas and Keph McCune**, Thursday, March 7, when several local adults were invited to share a book with students during Literacy Week.

More Than 200 Scouts Take Part In Pathfinder

More than 200 Boy Scouts from about 18 troops took part in a Pathfinder event at the Henry Higginson Wildlife Refuge in Union County Saturday. Scouts and leaders from across Western Kentucky and as far away as Lexington and Belleville, Ill., took on the challenge of navigating cross country with only a topographical map and compass.

According to event coordinator Paul Loxley, the tough terrain of the wildlife refuge provided quite a challenge to even the most experienced scouts. Before heading out in teams of two, scouts had to show they had a list of appropriate supplies for a stay in the wilderness, such as food, water, a first aid kit, fire-starting supplies, a knife, plus rope and other materials to build an emergency shelter.

Scouts headed out at

approximately 9 a.m., attempting to make a circuit of six checkpoints and finish the course in the required six-hour time limit. The fastest team came in at about three hours. While scouts could occasionally follow established trails and back roads at times, most of their cross country trek covered fields and woodlands between the checkpoints.

This may be the last year for the Pathfinder course. It started about 10 years ago in the Land Between The Lakes National Recreation Area. After two years, it moved to the wildlife refuge in Union County. The scouts would like the event to continue but need new leaders to step up to keep it going. If enough volunteers aren't found in time to plan a Pathfinder event for 2014, this could be the final year.

Homeplace To Hold 1850s Wedding March

The Homeplace Living History Farm will hold an 1850s wedding on March 30.

The wedding ceremony and celebration will take place from 1-3 p.m. and is included with Homeplace admission. The Homeplace is located in the Tennessee portion of Land Between The Lakes (LBL) National Recreation Area. Visitors will be allowed to participate in the wedding just like friends of the couple getting married.

This event brings to life an 1850's country wedding, including customs, traditions, games, and festivities of the era with interpreters dressed in period clothing.

"Weddings were major social events for a community during the 1850s," stated

Cindy Earls, special events coordinator for The Homeplace. "Everyone becomes involved in the celebration as guests of the farm family. They can play traditional wedding games, listen to music from the 19th century, and share in wedding cake and cider. It's a lot of fun!"

In addition, Geraldine Ann Marshall, the author of The Homeplace History and Receipt Book: History, Folklore, and Recipes from Life on an Upper Southern Farm a Decade before The Civil War, will be on hand from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. for a book signing. The cookbook is available at all gift shops in Land Between The Lakes, as well as national retail outlets. Funds help support LBL's interpretive programs.

Great Horned Owls Are Now At Home At KEEP

Great horned owls have displaced the osprey pair for the 2013 nesting season at the KEEP Lake Barkley osprey camera nest. Live nesting great horned owls can now be viewed during daylight hours at <http://keepky.org/>. Browsers should be refreshed every 12 to 15 seconds to receive a new owl image. The chicks should fly from the nest in mid-April.

Viewers worldwide are observing and learning about ospreys and great horned owls. So far this season KEEP has received e-mails from as far away as Germany and the U.S. East Coast. Most nest viewers are in Kentucky schools. A KEEP volunteer lives near new osprey nesting platforms and will pass along news about ospreys nesting at this area.



JACOB HERRON and Kenny Leggett, students in Cassie Bruch's fifth grade at Providence Elementary School, visited The Challenger Center for Space Science Education in Paducah Friday, March 15.

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Providence Students Visit Space Challenger Center

The fifth grade classes of Providence Elementary visited The Challenger Center for Space Science Education in Paducah Friday. Their mission was Rendezvous with a Comet in which students were tasked with sending a probe to intercept and collect new data on a short-period comet.

Classmates Jacob Herron and Kenny Leggett, students in Cassie Bruch's classroom, were assigned to work on the navigation team. Navigators' duties were to calculate trajectories, to analyze and deter-

mine angles for launch coordinates and to send and receive messages.

According to flight directors at The Challenger Center, Jacob and Kenny were the first navigation team in more than a decade to determine the exact coordinates for launch of the probe into the comet. The boys received a standing ovation from the staff after the mission was complete.

The Challenger Learning Center is located on the campus of the West Kentucky Community and Technical College.



ANITA BLACK gets ready to read one of her favorite books to students at Dawson Springs Elementary School, Thursday, March 7, as a part of the Literacy Week activities.

Kentucky Bourbon Trail Rates In Top 10 For 2013

With warmer weather on the way, National Geographic has kick-started the travel season by designating the Kentucky Bourbon Trail tour as one of its top 10 "Best Spring Trips" for 2013.

The Kentucky Bourbon Trail journey is showcased along with excursions and festivals in New Zealand, India, the Netherlands, Portugal, Romania, South Africa, Argentina and more. Only three American trips made the top 10.

"This is a tremendous honor for our distilleries," said Adam Johnson, Director of the Kentucky Bourbon Trail experience. "This accolade from a respected source with an international reach will only bolster our tour's growing popularity and attendance."

The Kentucky Bourbon Trail adventure was recognized March 5 in the Kentucky Senate for attracting more than 500,000 visitors in 2012, the first time the tour has broken the half-million mark since its creation in 1999 by the Kentucky Dis-

tillers' Association.

Attendance is already up for early 2013, Johnson said. "And coverage like this will only help continue our record-breaking trend."

The Kentucky Bourbon Trail tour features Four Roses and Wild Turkey in Lawrenceburg; Heaven Hill in Bardstown; Jim Beam in Clermont; Maker's Mark in Loretto; Town Branch in Lexington and Woodford Reserve in Versailles.

KDA President Eric Gregory said, "This incredible international publicity reinforces what we've seen at our visitor centers and distilleries in the past few years — skyrocketing numbers with travelers from dozens of different countries, all making the pilgrimage to Kentucky for the one, true, authentic Bourbon experience."

National Geographic's coverage also spotlighted the recently launched Kentucky Bourbon Trail Craft Tour, a groundbreaking new tourism attraction that links the state's artisan micro-distilleries.

School Selects Parents For Council Vacancies

Dawson Springs Junior-Senior High School has received two qualified nominees for two parent representative positions on the school-based decision making council. The Dawson Springs Community School Parent-Teacher Organization, as the largest parent organization, is mandated by state law to oversee the local election. In accordance with PTO by-laws, all nominees will fill their respective positions by acclamation.

Cassie Bruch will return for her sixth consecutive term as parent representative on the 7-12 council. Bruch has three children, Bradley, Ryne and Chipper.

New to the council but with five years of service on the elementary council is Lisa Littlejohn who has one

child, Kylie, currently in the sixth grade.

Dawson Springs Elementary School has also received two qualified parent nominations for two positions. One of the elementary positions will be for a one-year term; the other is for two years. Filling the two elementary positions are Mark Gentry and Debra Oldham. Gentry's daughter Keaton is currently in kindergarten, and Oldham's daughter, Natalee, is in the second grade.

Parents were scheduled to cast their ballots for council representatives March 25 preceding the regularly scheduled PTO meeting. However, due to the nominees filling all positions by acclamation, the elections have been canceled.



SECOND GRADERS (from left) **Rylee Purdy, Lily Sunderland and Luke Ellis**, listen attentively to a story being read by **Jo Travis** Thursday, March 7, when several local adults were invited to share a book with students during Literacy Week.

MCC Issues Upcoming Registration Information

Fall and summer registration for readmit, transfer, high school and nondegree-seeking students is underway at Madisonville Community College. New students are required to attend a First Semester Experience session prior to enrolling in fall 2013 courses but may register for summer classes. Students should contact the Advising and Transfer Center at 824-8621 for information.

MCC's summer schedule features expanded online course offerings, including general education classes like biology, communications and English.

"Students taking our local online classes get the best of both worlds," said Deborah Cox, MCC's Chief Academic Officer. "Students get the convenience of online learning with faculty available to meet with them locally if they have questions."

A variety of general education, technical and allied

health classes are available for students.

"We encourage students to apply for both admission and financial aid early in order to beat deadlines and to take advantage of our early registration opportunities," noted Jay Parrent, Dean of Student Affairs.

The priority deadline for fall 2013 financial aid awards is July 1. Students applying or completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid after this date will encounter significant delays in processing.

Printed class schedules are no longer available; class information is available online at www.madisonville.kctcs.edu/schedule.

Summer classes begin May 14 for intersession and June 10 for the summer session. Fall classes begin Aug. 19. For more information, phone 821-2250 or visit www.madisonville.kctcs.edu.

Family Leaves \$500 Tip To Fulfill Last Request

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Seth Collins and his family visited Winchester on Wednesday and surprised a young waitress with a rather generous tip.

After Seth's brother, Aaron Collins, passed away last July, the family found in Aaron's will that he wanted them to give a waiter or a waitress an exceptional tip. Seth and his parents, Gerney and Tina Collins, of Lexington, raised the money and fulfilled the wish by giving \$500 to a waitress at a pizza place. The waitress was absolutely astonished.

Seth posted the video to YouTube and it went viral. Donations began pouring in to the Collins family.

"The goal was to do it one time," Seth said. "But people wanted us to keep doing it."

Seth has been on radio interviews in places like Poland and Australia, and has received donations from all over the world. They have now raised \$65,000 to put towards Aaron's Last Wish.

As of Wednesday, the Collins family has given their 37th tip of \$500 to an unsuspecting waiter or wait-

ress. Hannah Walker, a waitress at Stinky & Coco's Diner in downtown Winchester, waited on the Collins family for lunch and was the recipient of a \$500 tip.

"I was completely shocked," Walker said. "I didn't know how to react."

Walker put the cash into the restaurant's tip jar.

Don Parsons, the owner of Stinky & Coco's, was in the back of the restaurant when the Collins family gave Walker the tip.

"I didn't know what was going on," Parson said. "But it was very nice of her (to put the money in the tip jar). I'd like to think we'd all do the same. It's a small staff here, so we're all close."

The Collins family has traveled from Texas to Florida to Ohio to give tips at various restaurants.

Seth said it's a moment of relief to give away the money after holding it through the meal.

"It's fulfilling, heartwarming. It's an overwhelming joy," he said.

Tina said Aaron was always very generous with his money and worked for Habitat for Humanity.